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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper constitutes a response to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 3, 2006, a response which is due September 3, 2006, by virtue of the Petition for a two-month extension of time filed herewith. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and further examination in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Conclusion is on page 11 of this paper.

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